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In re the Application of:

Seigo KOTANI et al.

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Filed: December 20, 2000

Examiner: Jung, David Yiuk

For: CRYPTOGRAPHIC COMMUNICATION METHOD, FILE ACCESS SYSTEM AND  
RECORDING MEDIUM

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**REQUESTING CONSIDERATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF  
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Sir:

The above-identified U.S. application has been allowed. The Issue Fee has not been paid.

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) accompanied by a Form PTO-1449 was timely filed on December 20, 2000 concurrent with filing of the above-identified patent application. However, the Examiner has not acknowledged consideration of this IDS. Therefore, Examiner is respectfully requested to confirm full consideration and/or fully consider this IDS and acknowledge that the disclosed information has been fully considered in the above-referenced application by initialing the Form 1449.

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure provisions of 37 CFR §1.56, there is hereby provided certain information which the Examiner may consider material to the examination of the subject U.S. patent application. It is requested that the Examiner make this information of record if it is deemed material to the examination of the subject application.

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- 1a. ☒ Form PTO-1449.
- 1b. ☒ Copies of IDS citations.
- 1c. ☐ An English language copy of a Search Report or Official Action from a counterpart foreign application or the PCT International Search Report.
- 1d. ☒ English language translation (complete or relevant portion(s)) attached to each non-English language publication.
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- 1f. ☐ List of Copending Applications (ATTACHMENT 1(f), hereto).

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- 2b. ☐ set forth in the application.

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